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In the Drawings

Please replace the enclosed sheet 1/3 for the original sheet 1/3.

In the Specification

Please replace paragraph [0102] with the following amended paragraph:

[0102] Optionally, and as shown in Fig. 1a, the gland body 11 may comprise a series of

hingedly interconnected arcuate members that are hingeable about hinges 40 from a

discontinuous, non-annular configuration defining a gap between two ends (see open

end 41) through which a cable or similar object may be passed radially into the passage

12; and an annular configuration in which the elements abut one another and the

annulus is continuous.

Please replace paragraph [0103] with the following amended paragraph:

[0103] Further such an arrangement may include a fastener (shown diagrammatically in

Fig. 1a at 42) for fastening the elements in the annular configuration as desired.

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